Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. The documentary in question is clearly intended to influence the upcoming presidential election.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Smear documentaries about either candidate are not in the public's interest.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.